



## SANTA BARBARA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

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**REGULAR MEETING**  
January 8, 2026 – 2:00 p.m.

### NOTES

**The regular meeting of the Santa Barbara County Board of Education, scheduled for January 8, 2026, did not go forward due to a lack of a quorum. Three board members met on January 8, 2026 with the attached meeting materials made available for informational purposes. No action was taken.**

### GENERAL FUNCTIONS

**1. Call to Order**

The regular meeting of the County Board of Education was called to order at 2:06 p.m. by Board President Nadra Ehrman.

**2. Spanish Interpretation/Interpretación**

The president announced that Spanish interpretation of the board meeting was available online via Zoom.

**3. Pledge of Allegiance**

The board recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**4. Roll Call**

Board Members Present

Nadra Ehrman  
Sarah Anne Read  
Guy Walker

Board Members Absent

Marybeth Carty  
Vedamarie Alvarez Flores  
Katya Armistead  
Judith Frost

Due to a lack of a quorum, no action was taken on agenda items.

Staff Members Present

Susan Salcido, superintendent  
Austin Payne, legal counsel  
Anna Freedland, executive assistant

Ellen Barger	Tiffany Carson	Don Lockwood	Amy Ramos
Camie Barnwell	Nicole Evenson	Bladimir Lopez	Anne Roundy-Harter
Gina Branum	Rachel Fauver	Carlos Pagán	Craig Schneider
Sarah Cameron	Melissa Garcia	Delaney Patrick	Steve Torres
Shawn Carey	Jean Gradias	Megan Prando	Marith Utterback

Others Present

Javier Bolívar, principal, Adelante Charter School  
Isaac Castro, southern region coordinator, Central Coast K-16 Regional Collaborative  
Holly Gil, learning innovation specialist, Adelante Charter School  
John Leopold, director, Central Coast K-16 Regional Collaborative  
Hugo Santos-Gomez, interpreter (via Zoom)  
Regina Santos-Moreno, interpreter (via Zoom)

**5. Changes to the Agenda**

None.

**6. President and Board Comments**

The president shared about her recent visits to Dos Pueblos High School and San Marcos High School with Superintendent Salcido.

**7. Public Comments**

None.

**PRESENTATIONS**

**8. Presentation by Adelante Charter School**

Adelante Charter School Executive Director Javier Bolívar and Learning Innovation Specialist Holly Gil provided a presentation on the successes of Adelante Charter School, an award-winning Spanish-English dual-language immersion program, and a 2025 California Distinguished School.

**9. Presentation by the Central Coast K-16 Regional Collaborative for High Wage and High-Demand Career Pathways**

Director of the Central Coast K-16 Regional Collaborative John Leopold provided a presentation on the collaborative for high wage and high-demand career pathways. SBCEO is a member of the collaborative.

## **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

### **10. Superintendent's Report**

The superintendent's report was presented as an information item. Dr. Salcido thanked the board for their service, especially since January was school board recognition month. She also shared the additional following information:

- SBCEO chief technology officer (CTO) position – The superintendent announced that Brandon Weber was hired as SBCEO's chief technology officer and would begin sometime the week of January 19.
- Reporting gifts – Dr. Salcido reminded the board about reporting gifts on their Form 700 Statement of Economic Interest, such as attending a vendor or sponsor-hosted dinner at a conference.
- Governor's State of the State address and proposed budget – The superintendent mentioned that Governor Newsom gave his "State of the State" address today and that tomorrow, he would release his proposed budget. She shared a few top-level items that would be in the proposed budget: record education investments and a shift in education governance.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

Due to a lack of a quorum, all consent agenda items were postponed to the next regular board meeting:

### **11. Minutes of Meeting Held December 12, 2025**

### **12. Registration of Credentials and Other Certification Documents: Issuance of Temporary County Certificates**

Registration of credentials and other certification documents registered in the Santa Barbara County Education Office from November 7, 2025 to December 6, 2025, and the issuance of temporary county certificates for that same time period.

### **13. Acceptance of Donations**

Acceptance of donations for the following department:

- Teacher Programs and Support

### **14. Declaration of Surplus**

Declaration of surplus for the following departments:

- Early Care and Education
- Maintenance and Operations
- Teacher Induction Program

**15. Issuance of High School Graduation Diploma**

Issuance of a high school graduation diploma to the following student:

*Dos Puertas School*

- Student CSIS # 6606294952 – December 12, 2025

Motion to approve all consent items:

MOVED:

SECONDED:

VOTE:

**ACTION ITEM**

**16. Reimburse Expenses for Board Members to Attend the State of Education**

Due to a lack of a quorum, this item was postponed to the next regular board meeting.

The board will consider whether to approve the reimbursement of actual and necessary expenses, in accordance with Board Policy 9250, for board members to attend the State of Education event, February 24, 2026, 4:00–6:30 p.m., cost: \$45 for Chamber members and educators, \$55 for non-members, hosted by the Santa Maria Valley Chamber of Commerce.

MOVED:

SECONDED:

VOTE:

**INFORMATION ITEMS**

**17. Personnel Report**

The certificated and classified personnel reports were presented as an information item.

**18. Williams Uniform Complaints Quarterly Report**

The Williams Uniform Complaints Quarterly Report indicating no complaints filed for the period of September 16, 2025 through December 15, 2025, for Juvenile Court and Community Schools, and Special Education, was presented to the board as an information item.

## **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

### **19. Future agenda items**

The president mentioned the future agenda item that was listed on the agenda as an information item:

- Presentation on human trafficking by the district attorney's office (Feb. 12)

## **ADJOURNMENT**

### **20. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:17 p.m. to the next regular meeting to be held February 12, 2026 in Santa Maria.

MOVED:

SECONDED:

VOTE: